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FOR PRESIDENT,
BENJAMIN HARRISON.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
WHITE LAW REID.

Up With the Banners!

Next Wednesday at 8 P. M. the Republicans of Bloomfield will raise a Harrison and Reid Banner at the Centre. There will be lots of enthusiasm. There will be a salute fired by the Republican Battery, music by the band, fireworks and cheers.

It is not designed to have any speaking at the Centre, except of that spontaneous, exuberant kind which is sure to break forth when Republicans get together in a multitude, and all shout the same thing.

After the banner has been put in position, as many as can will get into Union Hall, on State Street, where addresses will be made by Col. Fairman of New York and James K. McKee of Illinois. There will be other speakers, and should it be that the Hall will not hold everybody, there will be an overflow meeting.

Now let every Republican do all in his power to make this Campaign of 1892 a glorious success!

The Peck Labor Report.

It is probable that Mr. Charles F. Peck, the commissioner of the New York bureau of labor statistics, has never made an official report of greater interest to the public than the one which has just appeared from his bureau. It will create great excitement among his Democratic associates, and they are already loud voiced and passionate, as well as utterly unreasoning, in their charges of treachery to the party because he has seen fit to print the results of an investigation by his bureau which do not accord, as he freely states, with the declarations of the Democratic national platform, or with the arguments constantly offered by Democratic speakers and journals.

The subject for the investigation this year was chosen by Mr. Peck with much good sense and entire fidelity to the true interests of the working people, whom he is expected in a measure to represent, if not very shrewdly, for the interests of the Democratic party. No doubt Mr. Peck expected, as indeed he frankly says, that an investigation of the course of wages and the increase or decrease of production in manufacturing in this state would show, in accordance with the theories of his party, a depression of industries resulting from the enactment of the McKinley tariff. He states that he determined upon the investigation more than a year ago, when the new tariff had been passed, but had not gone into effect as yet, and that he believed its results would be in harmony with Democratic convictions.

When the returns had been received and compiled he discovered, much to his astonishment, that the results were by no means favorable to Democratic theories; but he has nevertheless published his annual report, giving the figures as he finds them, without regard to their political effects.

The Democratic politicians who are now denouncing him doubtless expected that he would find it convenient to omit altogether this year the annual report required by law, because the material collected for it did not happen to suit the interests of his party.

Coming from such a source, this report must be accepted as exceedingly strong testimony. It shows the progress of manufacturing industries in the greatest state in the Union during the first year after the passage of the McKinley act, in comparison with the last year prior to its enactment. This comparison shows an increase in value of products amounting to \$21,315,130 in a single year, which is in itself a remarkable evidence of the increased prosperity resulting from the new law.

The value of products, however, is not by any means the most important gain with respect to the interests of the wage earners. The report of the commissioner goes further and compares the rate of wages in sixty-eight industries for the two years. The results show an increase in fifty-one industries, averaging \$43.96 for each, while the decrease in others was so far unimportant that the total average increase in yearly earnings of the employees in all the industries included in the investigation was \$23.11 for each person. The official statement shows that no less than 285,000 employees are directly embraced in the statistics presented, and that there were no less than 89,717 instances of individual increase of wages during the year in the industries reported to the bureau.

This is an official answer, and from a Democratic labor bureau, to the question asked so frequently by Democratic journals not long ago, whether any increase in wages had followed the enactment of the new tariff in any department of industry. It is not denied by advocates of the protective policy that under its operation fluctuations occur in different industries in both directions, for in some a change of the popular demand or in the conditions of production may cause general depression for the time and thus compel a reduction of wages, even while the conditions in a far greater number of industries warrant increased production and an advance in wages. The evidence submitted by the commissioner establishes the fact that in this state the number of industries in which an advance in wages has been realized is far greater than the number in which wages have remained unchanged or have declined, and that the net result has been equivalent to a gain of \$23.11 for each one of more than a quarter of a million wage earners. It

will not be an easy matter for Democratic orators to meet these disclosures in an official report by a Democrat so well known and in his party so influential as Mr. Peck. And he is quite right in saying, in answer to charges of infidelity to his party, that the labor bureau has no business to modify, shade, twist or suppress the results of an investigation because they do not prove helpful to a political party. His official duty is to tell the truth as he finds it.—New York Tribune.

Political Notes.

Governor Abbott has issued a proclamation recommending the observance of October 21st as a general holiday, and that the citizens of this State cease from toil and devote themselves as far as possible to such exercises in their schools and other places of assembly as will properly celebrate the day and carry out the purposes of the joint resolution of Congress in reference to the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America.

The colored Republicans of Montclair have a very flourishing club numbering 150 members. The officers are Aaron Shepard, President; Thomas Williams, Vice President; Jesse Fitzroy, Secretary; Ed. Williams, Treasurer.

There will be a convention of colored Republicans held in Trenton, N. J., on Monday, Sept. 12th. The call is signed by C. N. Robinson, chairman, and Jesse Lawson, Secretary. The basis of representation is one delegate for each 100 voters.

There are some Democratic politicians who would like to have Senator McPherson detained at quarantine until after the convention had been held. There is no doubt but what he will be there.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week will be seething days at Trenton. Colored Republicans on Monday, Republicans Tuesday, and the Democrats on Wednesday.

J. Milton Unangst, Frank G. Tower, Adrian Dickerson, John F. Dillon and Robt. S. Rudd were delegates to the Fourth Congressional Convention which was held at Morristown on Monday last.

The Republican Committee of Arrangements for holding a mass meeting next Wednesday evening held a meeting last Saturday evening and have completed their arrangements. The committee are Samuel G. Hayter, chairman, T. E. Hayes, secretary; Thos. Oakes, Wm. Biggart, G. Lee Stout, C. W. Powers, Theo. H. Ward, Frank Gabs, Jr., Geo. W. Cook, Thos. McGowan, Fred M. Davis, A. J. Lockwood and N. H. Dodd.

Judge Werts has written a letter which seems positively to take him out of the field for Governor. Mr. E. F. C. Young's name will be presented from Hudson County with a very strong backing of Senator McPherson.

Leon Abbott, it is expected, will lock horns with the Senator and decide the question of supremacy between them at this convention.

Three candidates will come before the Republican convention for standard bearer in this State. Friends of Franklin Murphy of Newark, are making an active canvass for him and are sanguine of his nomination.

General Grubb has had more experience in political methods and will go into the convention with a determination to win the nomination, and Burlington County will set forth his merits in glowing terms.

John Keen, Jr.'s, friends are working in his interest and there will be no relaxation of effort until the vote in the convention has decided the contest.

The Republicans are earnest, and intend to put forward a candidate who can and will win. There are some differences of opinion as to who that candidate should be—but when the decision is reached, be he whoever he may be, he will have the undivided support of all Republicans. Not in many years has there been such an opportunity to elect a Republican Governor.

The People's party held a convention in Trenton on Tuesday and nominated Benjamin Bird of Hunterdon County as their candidate for Governor. Mr. Bird is a farmer, a miller by trade, and a great Farmer's Alliance man. He is president of the Farmer's Alliance of Hunterdon County, vice president of the State Alliance, and Postmaster of his town.

Ex. State Senator John Cornish of Washington County received the Democratic nomination for Congress for the Fourth District. The Republican towns ships are a part of it but not in it.

The Young Men's Republican Club will have a special meeting on Monday. All should be present. On next Friday night they have their annual election which will close with a banquet.

The Republican Committee of Arrangements will have a meeting at Dodd's Hall at 8 P. M. to-morrow.

The Republican Battery will meet in Dodd's Hall next Tuesday at 8 P. M.

MCKINLEY DID IT.

[Air—"We're Coming, Father Abraham."]

The winter days are coming;

And winter's near at hand,

And soon the snow will drift and blow

And cover all the land;

Yet have no fear, for labor's dear,

And soon our purse will fill—

And Billy McKinley did it!

With his big McKinley bill!

In every street the happy feet

Of well paid labor ring;

The hearts are light, the homes are bright

Where wives and children sing!

The hearts are light, the tin pail bright,

The faces brighter still—

And Billy McKinley did it!

With his big McKinley bill!

Our ships are crowding every wharf,

Our steam cars thunder by—

Swift shuttles of the loom of toil,

From east to west they fly;

They bear the food from farm to mine,

The ore from mine to mill—

And Billy McKinley did it!

With his big McKinley bill!

The world moves faster every hour,

The wheels begin to hum;

Today is but an earnest of

The brighter days to come;

So, here's a health will bring us wealth,

Let's give it with a will—

Three cheers for Billy McKinley!

And his big McKinley bill!

—Lloyd Manning in Cleveland Leader.

One of the greatest advantages resulting from the adjournment of congress is the opportunity afforded Speaker Charles Frederick Crisp of retiring to some secluded spot where his littleness won't loom up so much.—Detroit Tribune.

Republican County Committee of the County of Essex.

The Republican State Committee has issued a call for the State Convention to be held at Trenton on September 13, 1892, to place in nomination a Republican candidate for Governor and ten electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, to be supported at the ensuing election.

The Republican party of our commonwealth has now an opportunity to place itself in a position to be of real service to the whole people of the State. The avarice and greed of the leaders of the party in power, their combination with monopolies, their extremely unequal and partisan measures, their squandering of the public money by the creation of new offices and increased salaries, their declaration of war upon protection to American industries, and their gross mismanagement of public affairs in general have done incalculable injury to our common interests, and are the best argument for their deposition from power.

To elect a Republican to the office of Governor would be to correct a majority of these evils so far as they touch our State, and to enable our electors to give their vote for the Republican National candidates, and to change the political complexion of the House of Representatives.

The County Committee urges upon the Republican electors to attend the primary meetings now called, and to see to it that representative men who have the confidence of the party be chosen as delegates to the State convention.

The real will of the party can be demonstrated only at the primaries, and its real choice of candidates can be ascertained only by a full attendance of the party vote.

Our duty to our organization and to our common interests requires us to aid in the selection of the convention delegates.

Primary meetings for the selection of delegates to the State Convention will be held in the several election districts of this county at such places as may be designated for the purpose by the Ward Executive Committee on Friday, the ninth day of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-two at 8 o'clock p. m.

The number of delegates to which each election district is entitled is designated in the subjoined schedule.

CARL LENTZ, Chairman.

FRANCIS D. ABER, Secretary.

Dated August 26, 1892.

First Ward.

First District..... 1 Delegate

Second "..... 1 "

Third "..... 1 "

Fourth "..... 2 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Second Ward,

First District..... 2 Delegates

Second "..... 2 "

Third "..... 1 "

Fourth "..... 1 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Sixth "..... 1 "

Third Ward.

First District..... 2 Delegates

Second "..... 1 "

Third "..... 1 "

Fourth "..... 2 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Fourth Ward.

First District..... 1 Delegate

Second "..... 2 "

Third "..... 2 "

Fourth "..... 1 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Sixth "..... 2 "

Fifth Ward.

First District..... 1 Delegate

Second "..... 1 "

Third "..... 3 "

Fourth "..... 1 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Sixth "..... 2 "

Seventh "..... 1 "

Eighth "..... 1 "

Ninth "..... 2 "

Sixth Ward.

First District..... 2 Delegates

Second "..... 1 "

Third "..... 1 "

Fourth "..... 2 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

Sixth "..... 2 "

Seventh Ward.

First District..... 2 Delegates

Second "..... 1 "

Third "..... 1 "

Fourth "..... 1 "

Fifth "..... 1 "

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